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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1306

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 1, 2010

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Dual Credit.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Hinkle

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires all state educational institutions to accept certain dual credit courses that are successfully completed by a high school student.

Effective Date: July 1, 2010.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: The bill could reduce tuition to state educational institutions since the student would receive credit for dual credit courses offered by a state educational institution. Currently, the state institution only has to accept award credit for dual credit classes successfully completed at their own institution and may award credit for dual credit courses offered by other state educational institutions.

Background: The Indiana Concurrent Enrollment Partnership established by the 2008 General Assembly has collected information on concurrent enrollment. Based on data they have collected, about 32,000 students were taking concurrent enrollment classes at 312 high schools and public and private colleges. There was a maximum of about 166 high schools who were not offering classes. The Partnership estimates that about 17,100 additional students in the 166 high schools might take concurrent enrollment classes.

The Department of Education has also begun collecting information on students taking dual credit classes. In the 2008-2009 school year, 119 school corporations reported having 8,984 students taking dual credit classes. The majority of the students taking dual credit classes were juniors (3,003 students) and seniors (4,745 students).

Public schools receive funding for the students taking concurrent enrollment classes through the school formula, and universities receive funding from enrollment growth and tuition charged to students.

Universities cannot charge tuition for students eligible for free or reduced lunch. The tuition charged by universities for other students for concurrent enrollment courses varies from nothing at Ivy Tech Community College to \$89 per credit hour. The cost is below the tuition charged for a full-tuition student, which ranges from \$132 to \$263 per credit hour.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State educational institutions.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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